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Guilford M. E. Church
Guilford
Private

1872

Located on the east side of Route 32, just south of its intersection with Route I-95, Guilford Methodist Church faces west. It is a three bay wide, three bay deep, one story high, gabled roof (running east-west) shiplap frame gothic style structure which features a tent roofed, open belfry projecting from its southwest corner.

The belfry holds a gothic cut main entrance, surmounted by a petaled flower bull's eye which offers a vertical and projecting element to the southwest corner as well as a continuity to the west facade's centrally placed bull's eye in the eave line and its two gothic cut windows.

The congeation and church date from 1872, indicated on both the cornerstone and Hopkins Atlas of 1878. A new brick wing has been added to the northeast corner of the church, providing a kitchen facility, office space and lounge.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

Ho-432
District 6

MAGI # 1404325508

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Alberta G. Gary Memorial M. E. Church

AND/OR COMMON

Guilford Methodist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

(Old Route 32) Guilford Road (MD 732)

CITY, TOWN

Guilford

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES, RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES, UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Guilford Memorial M. E. Church
c/o George Ennis

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route 2, Box 336A

CITY, TOWN

Jessup

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland, 20794**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.Tax Map 42, p. 329 Blk 6
Hall of RecordsLiber #: 213
Folio #: 532

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Guilford Methodist Church is located on the east side of Route 732, just south of the intersection of I-95. It faces west, a two bay wide, three bay deep, one and a half story building of frame ship lap construction, built on a stone foundation with gabled roof running east-west and brick chimney centered into the east wall. A tall tent roofed, square open belfry with shingled second story, decorated with open railing whose four corner posts are held by scrolled brackets, projects from the south side of the west wall.

It holds the large double rectangular entrance door to the church on its west face, approached by seven cement steps and is surmounted by a wooden lintel decorated with a row of dentils with a triangular leaden stained glass transom, which together form a gothic cut door. Above rests a circular leaden paned window decorated in a rose petal design. A double-hung gothic cut, leaden paned window, whose central motive is an oval shaped cartouche rests on the south wall of the belfry tower.

Three sets of double cellar windows with two-over-two light windows underline the three double-hung gothic cut windows on the church's south wall.

The north wall holds three similar windows with a rectangular basement door, located between the west and central bays, flanked by two rectangular double-hung windows holding two-over-two lights.

A one story high gabled roof (running north-south), brick (laid in running bond) addition has been built along the east wall of the church and part of its north wall. It holds three rectangular windows composed of four horizontal lights on its north wall decorated with header brick sills.

Two similar windows rest on the east wall with two rectangular entrance doors separated by a square brick chimney, and a squarish window, composed of two lights, another of which rests near the south-east corner of the addition.

The west wall of the addition holds the main entrance to this building.

East of the church is a small grave yard with stones which bear the dates as early as February 10, 1886.

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Guilford Methodist Church

Description

The Belfry's first floor holds the entrance vestibule which leads into the nave of the church. The interior of the church features a central aisle and side aisles in the nave which takes up almost the entire building. A central altar is located a few feet from the east wall with a staircase on its south side leading down to the basement Sunday School room.

The brick addition holds a kitchen, young adult lounge, office for the pastor and hall leading into the Sunday School room which also has access into the kitchen area.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

1872

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Guilford Methodist Church is significant historically and architecturally.

Historically the congregation dates from 1872 and was important in the social and educational life of those residing in the Guilford area. A cornerstone is dated 1872-1918, indicating that some renovation of the building was completed by 1918. The brick addition on the northeast corner of the building was added circa 1960 to provide a kitchen facility as well as office space and lounge for young adults. The building is noted in the Hopkins Atlas of 1878, while the graveyard to the east of the church holds mid to late nineteenth century dates.

It is in the area of architectural significance, however, that the building is most noteworthy. Were it not for its outstanding open tent roofed belfry, Guilford Methodist Church would be simply another Gothic revival country frame church. The belfry, however, adds a quality and charm in its stylistic detail which gives the building distinction. Holding the Gothic cut main entrance, surmounted by a petaled flower bull's eye, and offering the variation of a projection and vertical element to the southwest corner, the belfry also provides continuity by its repetition of the centrally placed bull's eye in the eave line of the west facade and the Gothic element of its two Gothic cut west windows.

Closely adjacent to the I-95 and Route 32 intersection, it should be placed on the National Register and State Critical Areas Program to insure its continued preservation.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Howard County Land Records

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 42, p. 329.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records Liber 213, folio 532.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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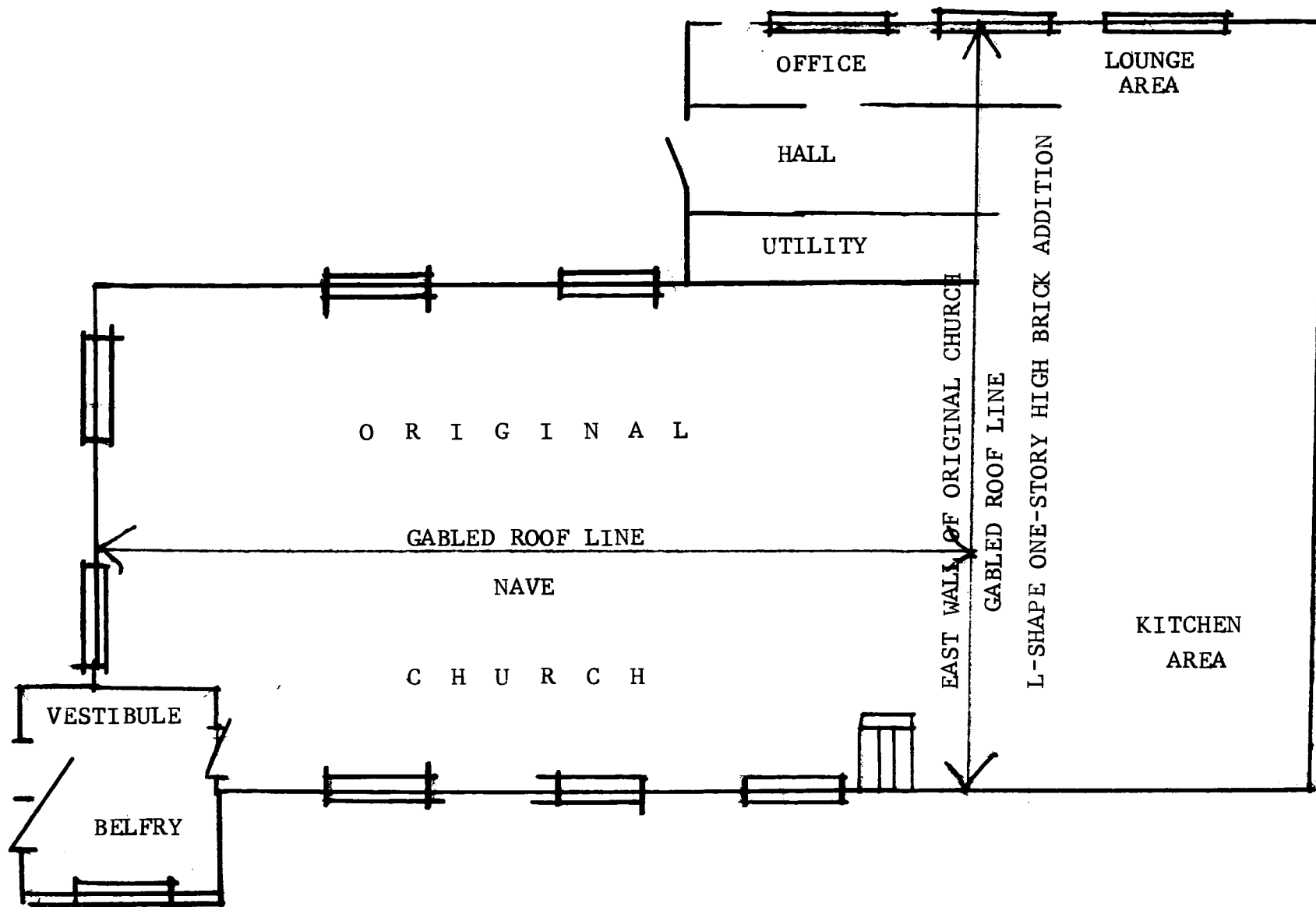
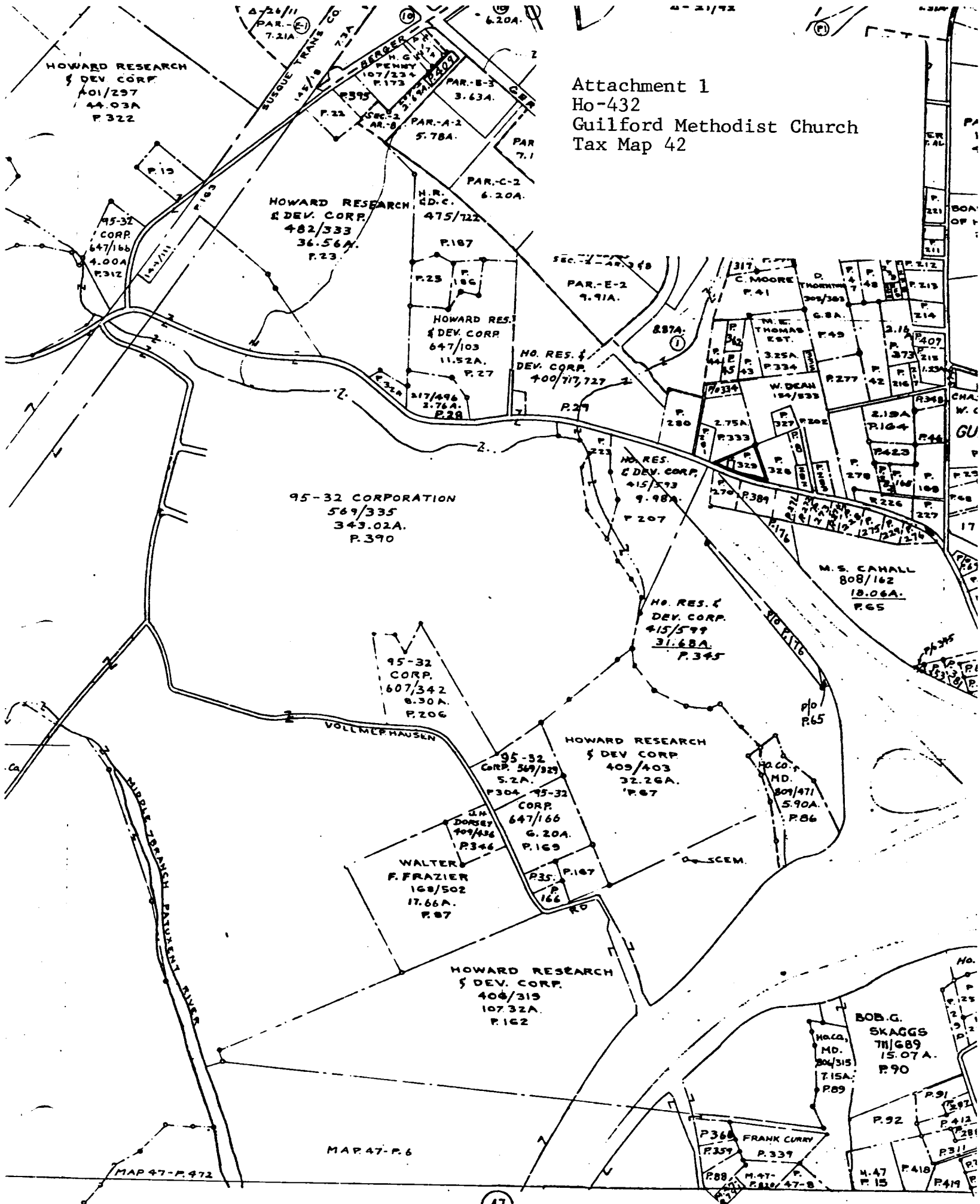


Figure 1
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 Guilford Methodist Church
 Plan of Church and Addition

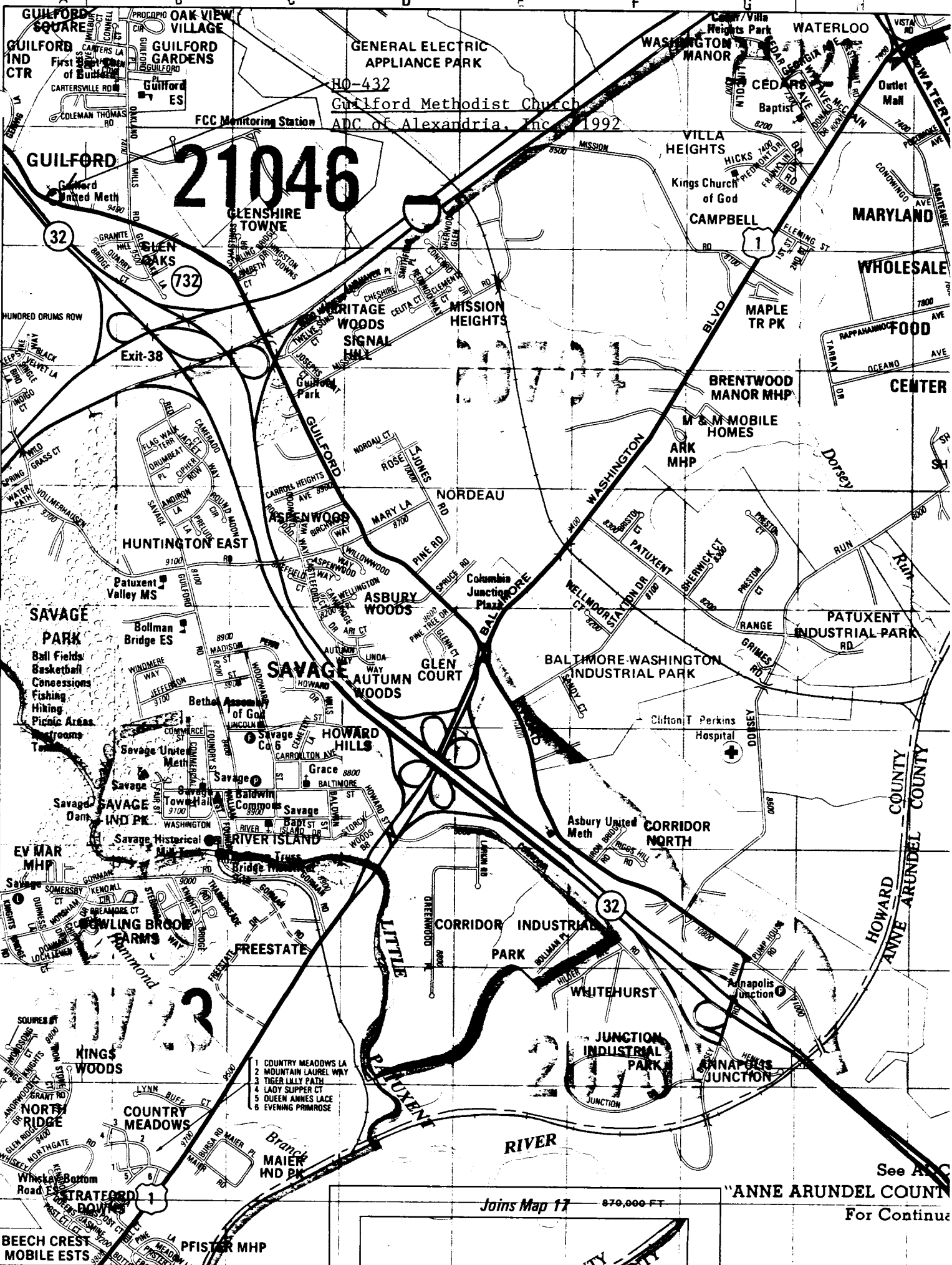
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Tax Map 42

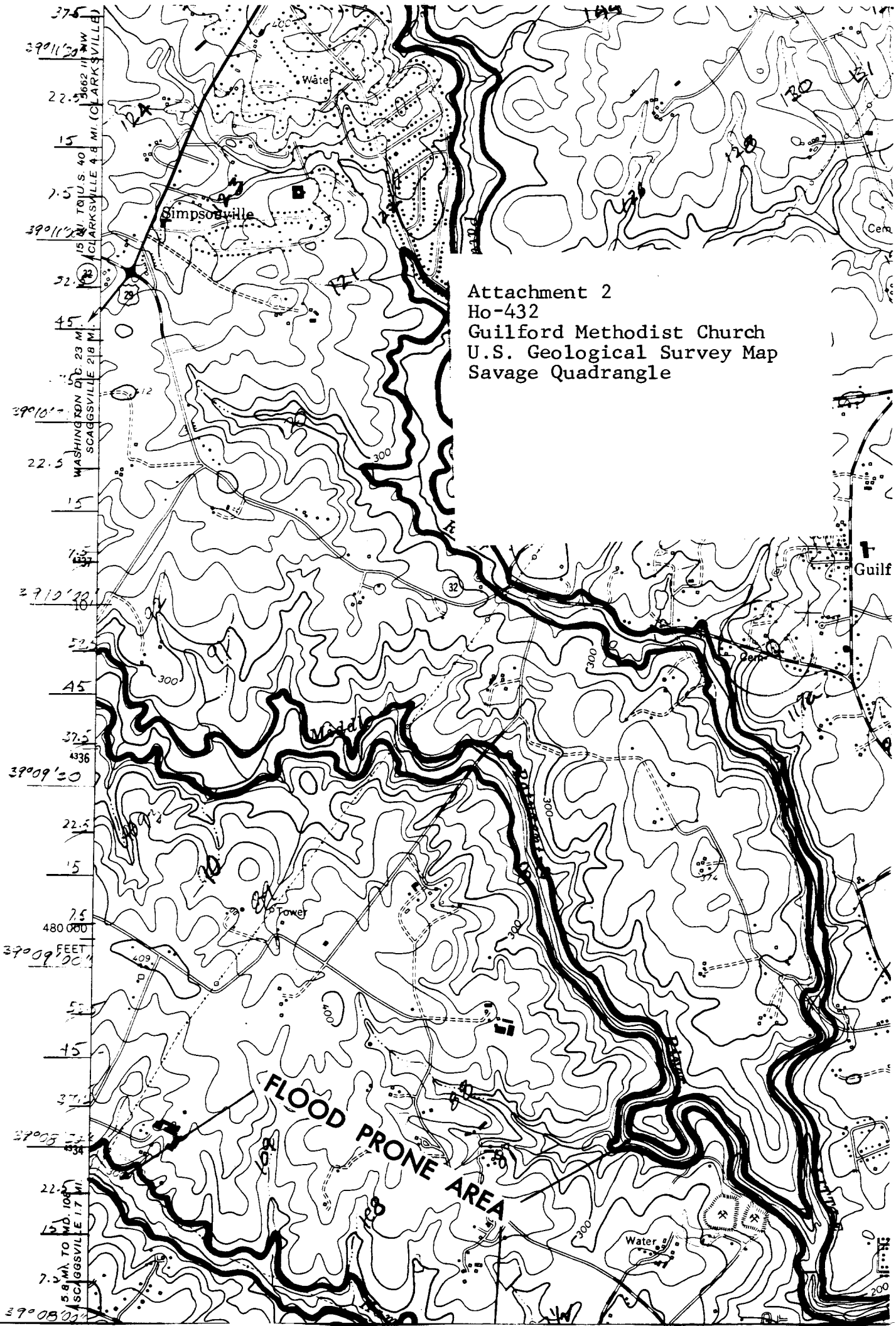




Attachment 3
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Guilford Methodist Church
Hopkins Atlas of 1878
District 6

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WM CLARK	
MANUFACTURERS	
PAUL KRIPPER	
J. W. VANDERGRIFT	
PHYSICIAN.	
THOMAS C WORTHINGTON	
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WM. YERGENSON	
WEAVERS.	
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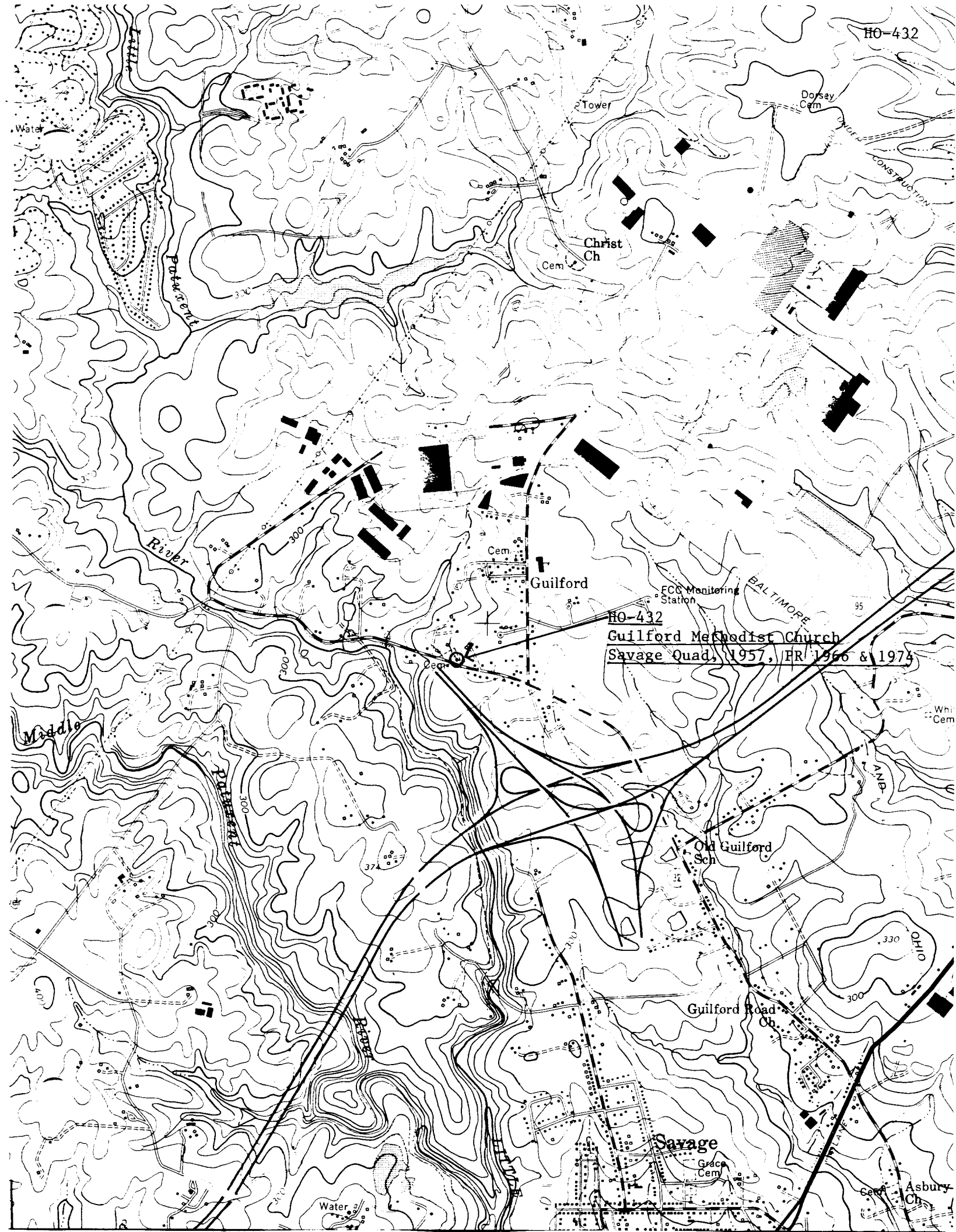




Attachment 2
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Guilford Methodist Church
U.S. Geological Survey Map
Savage Quadrangle

FLOOD PRONE AREA

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Tower

Doysay
Cem

Christ
Ch
Cem

Guilford

ECG Monitoring
Station

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Guilford Methodist Church
Savage Quad, 1957, HR 1966 & 1974

Old Guilford
Sch

Guilford Road
Ch

Savage

Grace
Cem

Asbury
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THE GUILFORD M.E. CHURCH
WEST

C B THOMASON, AIP

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